

## ANNUAL EGG LOSS IS \$200,000,000

Great Waste Between Producer and Consumer Shown by Department.

Between the hen and the consumer there is a waste of \$200,000,000 annually, say experts of the Department of Agriculture. The \$200,000,000 is made up of the \$100,000,000 of eggs which are lost in the process of production, and the \$100,000,000 of eggs which are lost in the process of distribution.

Of this waste, \$50,000,000 is held to be due to needless breakage of eggs in transit from the nest to the retailer. The balance, \$150,000,000, represents unnecessary adding, spoiling, and deterioration of good eggs, due to bad handling.

"The egg as the hen lays it is invariably a good egg," a Department of Agriculture report on the egg industry says, "but one out of every ten eggs which she lays is broken in shipment, and the rest of the remaining nine are spoiled in transit by bad handling. This means that only six out of every ten eggs reach the producer in anything like the shape that nature intended."

"Forty per cent of our eggs are fit only for strong palates or for use in tanning leather or making glue, and the remainder are lost in the process of distribution and in the process of consumption."

The department is sending its egg and poultry demonstration car through the corn belt, and showing egg shippers all the little improvements in egg grading, handling, and packing. The farmers are being taught to keep their eggs in cool places, and covered on the way to town. The egg-shipping men in the country towns are being urged to chill their eggs at once, and keep them chilled until transferred to refrigerator cars.

"When farmer and country merchant and refrigerator car operator go to the egg fresh and keep them cold until they reach the refrigerator men," egg specialists of the department declare in their report on the egg industry, "these eggs can be stored and kept edible for ten months."

The department is tackling the egg problem in two practical ways—first, by trying to teach the farmers how to raise more eggs and bigger eggs, and how to raise and feed pullets so they will lay later in the fall, and by seeking to improve methods of marketing the crop.

A great reduction in the present loss in marketing eggs is promised by the department through its campaign of education.

### Col. Reeves to Speak At Suffrage Meeting

Col. Charles R. Reeves, of Reno, Nev., past vice president of the Washington Suffrage Association of that State, and the only man who has held office in a suffrage organization, will be the principal speaker at the meeting to be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon at the Congressional Union headquarters, 1239 F street northwest. Miss Alice Paul, chairman of the union, will also speak. The meeting will have charge of the division in the parade of May 9 to be devoted to women of the department stores. She has asserted that the largest stores that these institutions will be the first to join the parade.

### Educators of the Blind To Convene Here Soon

Delegates from all parts of the country representing commissions, schools and institutions for the training and development of the blind will come to Washington for a three-day convention beginning April 12. Headquarters will be at the New Elbert. Arrangements have been made for a reception at the White House. The convention will be addressed by many speakers whose work in helping the blind has become known over the world. Charles F. P. Campbell, executive secretary for the American Association of the Blind, will be the chief speaker. He is superintendent of the Ohio State School for the Blind and of the Ohio State School for the Deaf and Dumb. Mr. Campbell is also president of the American Association of the Blind, and of the American Association of the Deaf and Dumb.

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